

IN THE SPECIFICATION

In the Amendment to the specification filed January 8, 2002, on page 1, between lines 1 and 2, after "1998" insert:

-- , which application claims benefit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119 (a) – (d) of prior foreign application filed December 26, 1997 in France as application number 9716574 and PCT application number PCT/US98/23484, filed November 4, 1998--